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Applicant:	Yanase, et al.		
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant hereby provides this paper in response to the Office Action mailed February 23, 2004. A Petition for Extension of Time for one (1) month is submitted herewith.

Kindly amend the application as follows.

AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE begin on page 2 of this paper.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS begin on page 3 of this paper.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE

Please replace the title of the invention with the following amended title:

Gasket With Tapered Slant For Use In A Pre-Filled Syringe And Pre-Filled Syringe.